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The number of complete and perfect copies f The Washington Times printed daily dur-ng the month of August was as follows:

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\*August, 1911, includes 19,101 Rochester, N. Y. wreck extras printed on August 25, Deducting these figures, the average daily net circulation for August 1s shown to have been 47,820. Sunday.

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Apparently it will require a great deal of science to get the scientific manage-

reading that out in dear Kansas City Government. the thermometer went almost to a hundred in the shade-where there was any Now that "Bob," the big dapple-gray,

is safely out of the quagmire of the Potomac flats, perhaps he will be ready to pull for local improvements down If Ross Andrews makes as great a success of the Retail Merchants' As-

sociation banquet as he did of the paper a notable one. The Eagles, who played a successful game of baseball against the Knights of good business or common humanity...

Columbus, have been presented with a soving cup. It's almost big enough to catch a baseball in. officially marks the coming of fall.

With ovsters added, there is why we shouldn't be happy. There will be 50,000 downcast hearts in the new school year begins. As usual,

there will not be room enough for all the children, and 5,000 will have to attend as "part-time pupils." The Washington Gaslight Company

has grown so accustomed to thinking

Joy riding on the deadly motorcycle has reaped its logical and inevitable harvest of death. There seems to be no division of opinion that in careless hands this particular form of Juggernaut is more dangerous than the fiereest man- President; an economist of national indulge in the fattening foods which

Few men in Washington had a wider circle of acquaintances than Capt. John H. Mills, whose death is mourned by many. A lifelong resident of the District and a Mason, Captain Mills was widely and favorably known through- for the charge that five million workers dishes which culinary genius has deout a long business career here.

"Drowsiness," said Solomon, "clothes a man in rags." One man lost \$11 while asleep and another saved \$35 by waking up just in time to frighten the burglar. Of course, it might be possible to enforce the vagrancy laws and clean ency." out the burglars entirely, but that is another story.

Takoma Park is up against the same old trouble which agitates the average suburb; namely, the neighbor's chickens. If the new regulations are enforced, prohibiting the keeping of live poultry closer than seventy-five the right kind of food and clothes. feet to the dwelling of other people, the price of hens will be high.

The suggestion that "express" or "through" suburban cars be tried in Washington, which comes from the District Electric Railway Commission. is a good one, but there is little hope of any real transportation reforms until some of the legislation now pending before Congress is enacted into effec-

Of course, the children are interested in the site of the new playground to take the place of the one which is to be closed at Fourteenth street and Columbia road, but it is safe to say that just at present they are much more enthusiastic about that new automobile which has just arrived, dedicated to their special use.

That the plano dealers of this city stand high in the estimation of the Naindicated by the fact that E. H. Droop has been made chairman of the legislative committee and named on the advisory committee, while Percy S. Foster is chairman of the resolution committee. Mr. Droop is also State commissioner for the District of Columbia,

President William S. Duvall and the members of the Automobile Club of Washington will hold out the glad hand will hold their annual good roads convention in this city when Congress con-vents in December. President Duvall nature of Uncle Sam as a paymaster? tractic

the construction of good roads.

THE PATHETIC END OF LONG SERVICE.

A few days ago two men were dis charged from their positions in the clerical force of the New York postoffice. There were no charges against them. One had been fifty-nine years in that office; the other, a few months under sixty years.

They were discharged because they were too old. Andrew Hyde was a postoffice clerk

so long ago that he tells of the "good old days" when he used to take a rowboat and pull out to the side of an incoming ship, receive her mail bag, and return to shore. He remembered when Madison Square was an ancient cemetery, and once delivered letters to a farmhouse on the approximate site of the present Metropolitan building, with its forty-two-story tower.

These two old men had together served the Government for a period approximately as long as its existence. Yet when they became incapacitated for service there was nothing to do but dismiss them

No provision had been made whereby their superior could consider their future, their worldly circumstances, their needs, their chance of keeping body and soul together during the years yet remaining to them.

The reward of their long lives of faithful service was to be turned out in the street, dependent on the care of relatives or the charity of the com-

Whether they would, in fact, be safe from want; whether they had homes and sufficient means to maintain them in decency, the Government had no official means of knowing, and was under no obligation to inquire. For Uncle Sam's policy in dealing with his civil service employes contemplates no concern for them, once they are incapacitated. The farmer who turns out ment idea adopted without serious op- to pasture a superannuated horse, refusing to kill the brute or let him We can still take a selfish pleasure in starve, is more humane than this great

All because, in blindness and ignorance, the people responsible for laws governing the civil service have persisted in the medieval attitude of refusing to permit a pension system to be created. What matters it that enlightened governments and intelligently selfish corporations have long ago accepted the pension system as absolutely men's convention, the occasion will be the best business policy? Our Government is big and powerful and rich enough to defy all the laws of either

Multiply the case of these two dismissed clerks by the hundreds of thousands of people in the Federal It isn't cool weather so much as the civil service, and you have a suggestion epening of the theatrical season which of the immensity and gravity of the superannuation problem in connection with Government.

It is not merely a question of super- the mind. Washington next Monday. On that day annuation and old-age pensions, Un- David Graham Philips wrote an in-

has grown so accustomed to thinking it awas deceased that there is need for yet furble surprised at its appropriation of a ther increase of the salaries of judges. That these have been generously adsured to thinking gested that there is need for yet furble surprised at its appropriation of a ther increase of the salaries of judges. That these have been generously adsured to thinking gested that there is need for yet furble surprised at its appropriation of a there increase of the salaries of judges. That these have been generously adsured to thinking gested that there is need for yet furble surprised at its appropriation of a there increase of the salaries of judges. That these have been generously adsured to thinking gested that there is need for yet furble surprised at its appropriation of a there increase of the salaries of judges. That these have been generously adsured to the death of marital cause of his connection with said civic body, and many others will follow.

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> note observed that "the real question destroy the last traces of a once To the Editor of THE TIMES: for this nation to consider was not in- girlish figure. At the same time the creasing the salaries of judges, but of struggle between vanity and the joys effecting such an economic distribution of the table must be acute when the in this country are trying to maintain vised for the delectation of the men

been brought against this nation, as a result of careful investigation: that five million wage-earners, representing approximately 20,000,000 people, do not earn enough to give them sufficient of

And among the people who are so underpaid that they cannot live decently and provide anything for old age, is an army of the employes of

the Government itself! The President, Federal judges, members of Congress, and Cabinet ministers, have all been given increases of 50 per cent in their salaries. And what do we observe as the next move toward justice to the underpaid legions of Government workers? The President asking still further increases for Federal judges!

An "economy commission" is diligently at work spending \$1,000,000 in the effort to devise means for getting more work out of the \$600, \$720, \$900, and \$1,000 employes. The Taylor system tional Piano Merchants' Association is of promoting efficiency in shop work is being installed. Uncle Sam is showing signs of real-thrift; thrift in the matter of getting more work out of his underpaid thousands. If he takes the saving thus effected and turns it over to the few who don't need it, should we not all rejoice in the good fortune of the few who are thus to the good roads advocates of the handsomely treated? Is it not well American Automobile Association, who that somebody should be able to speak amiably of the generosity and good

and his associates will join the three Heaven knows there are enough people A.'s delegates in urging Federal aid in who could not do it without perjuring

We are told that Senator Cummins head of the Committee on Civil Service Reform, after a long study of conditions in the Government departments. is determined to force consideration of a measure, drafted with utmost care. which looks to relieving the conditions of this army of underpaid workers. He wants a civil pension system adopted, and is prepared to make the fight for a proper education of public opinion on this subject of pensions,

The session of Congress is less than three months away. The time is at hand for the civil service people in Washington to prepare for the great struggle. The coming winter will present the best opportunity that can be hoped for in the next four years, for forcing legislation. The times and the circumstances are peculiarly pro-

A long pull, a strong pull, and pull all together, and the fight will be won within the next eight months.

#### IS THE AMERICAN WOMAN GROWING FAT?

The Dane expressed a wish that "this too solid flesh would melt." The average woman of today has great and growing reason to voice the same desire. according to the view of one of those observant persons who stand on the street corners and watch the passing

His observations were taken for the latitude of New York, but already they are becoming the subject of general discussion throughout the country. He found that for every fat man who passed there were at least four women whose embonpoint was overgenerous Of course nobody would ever describe them as such in print, but as a matter of fact they, too, were fat.

Not content with these casual impressions, the man who writes pieces of the large department stores where for he had a lady friend who worked in the ready-made suit department. She confirmed his views by telling him that most of the women, these days, who were well out of their 'teens, wore a 38, whatever that may mean, and weighed, on an average, 165 pounds. And as time went on she kept on fat-

The disturber of the peace then falls into a few reflections as to why it is the American woman, particularly in the neighborhood of New York, is increasing in weight. He looked about him at the well-filled fashionable restaurants, noted the gusto with which the feminine patrons ate and drank of the best that skilled cooks could provide, and reached the conclusion that therein he had found the answer. Without dwelling on the moral aspect of

agent in the fattening process, and left votes. just a ghost of a sermon to sink into

and he wants them to be given more. maid, wife, or widow, can afford to FAVOR THE SLOGAN Replying to this proposal of the neglect her personal appearance and

That is the charge which has lately good living with a more willowy figure. And what is more to the point, gallantry would suggest that since all of Eve's daughters are adorable-more or less, the larger they are the more there is about them to adore.

will meet tonight: Lodges-Federal, No. 1, M. M.; Acacia, No. 18, M. M.; Tacoma, No. 29, E. A. Royal Arch Chapters-Mount Horeb, No. 7, mark. Eastern Star-Electa, No. 2; Bethle-Eastern Star-Electa, No. 2; Bethle-hem, No. 7. The following I. O. O. F. organizations

The following I. O. O. F. organizations will meet tonight: Lodgés—Amity, No. 27, degree work; Golden Rule, No. 21; Washington, No. 25, and Phoenix, No. 25, business. Encampment—Fred D. Stuart, No. 7, degree work.
The following Knights of Pythias lodges will meet tonight: Germania, No. 15, installation of officers; Webster, No. 7; Excelsior, No. 14; Capitol, No. 24, and Myrtle, No. 25, business.

Meeting of the Wholesale Liquor Deal. eeting of the Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, National Hotel, 2

Amusements. Belasco-Al H. Wilson, in "A German

Prince," 8:20 p. m. Columbia-Closed for the week Chase's McIntyre and Heath and other polite vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Academy—"Another Man's Wife," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Casino—Vaudeville, afternoon and even-

ing. Cosmos-Continuous yaudeville. Lyceum-Merry Burlesquers, 2:15 3.15 p. m. Gayety-Sam Howe's Show, 2:15 and 3:15 p. m.
Majestic—"Monte Cristo, evening.
Chevy Chase Lake—Dancing and music
by section of Marine Band, evening.
Grest Falls—Band concert and other at-

# LETTERS TO THE TIMES MAIL BAG

Readers of The Times are invited to use this department as their own-to write freely and frankly with the assurance that no letter not objectionable in language will be denied publication. Letters must not, however, exceed 200 words in length, and must be written only on one side of the paper. Letters must bear the names and addresses of the writers, as evidence of good faith, but the names will not be made public without the consent of the contributors. Address MAIL BAG EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

### SHOULD NOT CRITICISE

THE BEATTIE JURY

It would be amusing, if it were no harmful, to hear lawyers, some of whom have never tried a criminal case; preachers, who should be looking after the bodily comfort and spiritual welfare of the poor of their congregation or studying church law or school divinity, and the sentimentalist, criticising and finding fault with the verdict of "guilty"

in the case of Henry Clay Beattle, jr. The accused has had the benefit of able counsel for his defense. He had the moral support and financial aid of a loving and devoted father. It is uni-versally agreed that the charge of the learned judge was fair, and that an intelligent jury of God-fearing American farmers knelt down upon a dusty floor and asked their Creator to give them light and to aid them in doing justice to the accused and the State of Vir-

Twelve honest men have agreed to a Twelve honest men have agreed to a verdict of guilty. It's, therefore, out of place and supremely egotistical for any man, or set of men, be they lawyers, preachers, doctors, or what not, to criticise the action of the jury in this case. They were right on the ground, heard every word of the testimony, and they had opportunity to study the witnesses, to judge of their intelligence, and their disposition to speak the truth. They disposition to speak the truth. leard the examination and cross-examination of the defendant, with every his behavior while testifying. He undoubtedly been given the benefit of every reasonable doubt, and, on the whole, he has had a fair and impartial trial by a jury of his peers. He is young, intelligent, and capable of tak-ing care of himself. This is generally

lows who pretend to speak, not only upon this case, but ex cathedra upon il questions whether it be law, medi-ine, or morals. It is my humble opinion that the jury has done its duty. An appeal has been noted. We should all wait until the court of appeals has finally passed upon the case, but there is no way to silence to the newspapers went around to one the man who is forever looking around for large pegs on which to hang small theories. He is always with us.
P. J. RYAN.

It is time to call a nait on these fel-

#### O'CONNELL'S DEFEAT DUE TO CIVIC FEDERATION

To the Editor of THE TIMES: Permit me, through the "Mail Bag" of The Times, to correct your correspondent, per his article appearing in The Times September 6, in regard to the defeat of James O'Connell president of the Machinists' Union.

First, it is only fair to say that Mr Johnson, who defeated Mr. O'Connell, is a gentleman, and used no dishonorable means to win. What really defeated Mr. O'Connell was his connection, or nast connection with the American Civic Federation, or some such name, body consists of many men who been and are now bitter toward labor and one of the objects of this civic body is to undo organized labor.

Mr. O'Connell, with many other labor

officials, joined said civic hody; he re-signed about two years ago, but this fact he did not make known until too out dwelling on the moral aspect of late to save him. Now, the rank and the drinking proposition, he laid special emphasis upon it as an active Mr. Johnson in round figures received agent in the fattening process and left.

Mr. Johnson admits that he is a Soderlying that, and far more serious, is the question of getting the Government to pay decent, living wages to its civil service people.

Not long ago President Taft suggested that there is need for yet fur.

David Graham Philips wrote an incisive novel in which he had a great deal to say about the indolence and appetite which rob a woman of her service people.

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David Graham Philips wrote an incisive novel in which he had a great lodge in Washington, and said lodge went strongly for Mr. Johnson.

It might be well to say that John Mitchell was not long ago given his choice of leaving the Miners' Union or the aforesaid civic body. He left the latter. The president of the Switchness was defeated because of his connection with said civic missioner, "Grand Old Party," how, are weaking for vanced in very recent time is not to the time, but there are those who still is that no labor official can expect to the point with our President; they are insist that he told no more than the the civic body mentioned. B. THROCKMORTON.

# "SWAT THE BACK YARD"

Appropos of the suggestion made in the article by -your good citizen, A Wade Wells, of 1513 Vermont avenue, in your paper that "Swat the Back of wealth as would remove the basis alternative is to pass up the dainty Yard" be the slogan for householders in the District, I say "good." As owner of premises 2848 Twenty-seventh street in this country are trying to maintain families on incomes so small that it is not possible for them to buy food and clothes sufficient to maintain them at the point of full economic efficiency."

vised for the desectation of the mental morthwest, I invite our good friend to inspect the back yards on our block. Our fences are of the kind known as the "sanliary," and on that account we have the benefit of more than the ordinary quantity of sunshine in our yards—more than would be the case mixture of exercise might reconcile with the old high-board fence shutthing good and inclosing much out everything good and inclosing much that is bad. Our front lawns are beau tiful, and our back yards are just as fine, with their abundance of fine grass and beautiful flowers. and beautiful flowers.

A than in reply to a question as to the style of architecture of his house

ed that it was "Queen Anne" in and, he guessed, "Mary Ann" in replied that it was "Queen Anne" in front; and, he guessed, "Mary Ann" in the rear. Our places are "Queen Anne" in front and back. We are justly proud of our lawns and

What's on the Program in

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The following Masonic organizations grass and flowers and sightly fences that all good citizens and make their yards beautiful with grass and flowers and sightly fences that will not gave as harrecks for that will not serve as barracks for trash, junk, and vermin. Surely we can have the "city beautiful" if each will do his share.

In reply to the question in the closing paragraph of our friend's letter would say, I am proud of my front lawn and I am proud of my back yard.

R. E. LQGAN. will do his share.

#### APPRECIATES SYMPATHY EXPRESSED FOR BINFORD

The retirement of Major JOHN R. LYNCH, paymaster, from active service, on September 10, 1911, is announced. To the Editor of THE TIMES: In two recent issues of The Washington Times there have appeared two editorials which for discovering the heart of the situation and having the courage to speak from the heart have not been equaled in any papers of the country.

The one just noted is the summary of the Beattle tragedy, which appeared in Friday's issue (September 9) of your paper. In all the discussions, both oral and written, yours is the first voice which I have heard to speak a word for that unfortunate girl, Beulah Binford. It has made me turn away from men and women with a feeling of nausea to hear their denunciations of the "woman in the case." If have heard a number of men who have bullt up reputations for justice through lives of integrity say that Beulah Binford was more guilty than the man. It does not seem to occur to them that a man first started her on her downward career at the mature age of thirteen and that her heritage made resistance to temp-Friday's issue (September 9) of your

tation almost impossible. "She was old enough to know right from wrong," they one and all cry, and yet the age of consent in few States is less than sixteen years. Every man and woman who joins in the herd of human beings engaged in hoofing the soul out of this fellow-creature shames the mother who brough this into the world. How readily would these same good folk condone

would these same good folk condon e follies in a youth of twenty! f membership in the Hall of Fam

If membership in the Hall of Fame were mine to bestow, your name should be place! there for your kind word for the fallen today.

The other article referred to was an editorial appearing th Sunday's issue and again commented on today regarding the nomination of Martin and Swanson in the Virginia Democratic primary. While I have no acquaintance with the gentlemen mentioned, I have with a certain district, which is "a part of their fruits," lying within the shadow of Washington's first home. Here graft of Washington's first home. Here graft flourishes and embezzlement of city funds appears an honorable calling. It is the exception to find a town official not cursed with the drink habit. Ye it all goes—for they belong to firs families—and as such are invulnerable Small wonder that under an influence such as this the Richmond could take place. If Henry had not previously committed offenses which were excused on ground of his tieing an F. P. V would not have attempted the last ful deed. It is time Virginia's con people waked up.

### TOO MUCH HYSTERIA

ABOUT BINFORD GIRL

To the Editor of THE TIMES: It is gratifying to read in your bag of the 9th instant, the letter from "L. M. H.," who pleads for sympathy for the Binford girl.

From what is read in the daily press, there is widespread hysteria on the subject of this girl. She is to be reculsed at every point, to be thrust into outer darkness. Divine precepts as to man's duty toward the erring are ig nored, as are the promptings of common humanity. No helping hand, no suggestions of a kindly spirit, but on all sides opprobrium and condemnation, which will, in a great measure, b morally responsible for what seems to be the inevitable fate of this girl. So ciety is not consistent. It palliates of at least tolerates, in the case of the man (usually the prime moving cause of trouble), while the woman bears the brunt of shame and disgrace, with lit-tle, if any, chance of social rehabilita-

As to the posting for moving picture good could come from a contemplation of scenes in which she might be and it is very meet and to put the ban on such exhibitions But why be virtuous all of a sudden and in one direction only? Every day in the week one can find, according to his taste, in the moving picture thea ters films representing many of the cardinal vices-murder, suicide, robbery, embezziement, allenation of affections, and breaking up of homes. ford's appearance would add little, if anything, that is novel. It is to be hoped that some good Sa

maritan may come to the rescue, and do for this unfortunate at least what we would do for a homeless, starving dumb animal. HUMANITY. PEOPLE SHOULD DO

THEIR OWN THINKING

claist, but it was not the votes of men belonging to that political party that elected him Mr. Johnson and Mr. O'Conneil are both members of the same telligent people would only do a little grafters. Many are influenced by that misnomer, "Grand Old Party," howl, and imagine they are working for and imagine they are working for honor and giory, when, in fact, they are playing right into the hands of the notorious grafters, who already own two-thirds of our nation, and the water power thereof. Looking back, you will see just how it was done. You were not able to understand that most of those papers that urged you to vote for the G. O. P. were owned and controlled by the grafters. It enthused trolled by the grafters. It enthused you, and you were satisfied. It is almost too late now to undo the dreadful mistake.

But thanks are due to the few papers. like The Times, which enlighten the people, and open their eyes to the truth. My advice is, agitate; keep on, until My advice is, again, you get results.

Vote for honest men, without regard to party, which is a thing of the past.

L. W. W.

### TIME TO ABOLISH CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

To the Editor of THE TIMES Now that the verdict of the jury which heard the trial of Henry Clay Beattle, jr., has been given out and he has been sentenced to death, it seems that a few remarks about the abolishment of capital punishment are not inopportune. Most persons do not stop to conside the matter. The citizens of the State of Virginia will do that for which they taxes the salaries of those officers the court to execute the sentence.

First Lieutenant ALBERT S. BOWEN,

Medicap Corps, will proceed to Fort

Snelling, Minnesota, for temporary duty, and after the completion thereof will proceed to the Philip-

irst Lieutenant JOHN W. WARD, 30th Infantry, having been ex-amined for promotion by a board of officers and found physically disqualified for the duties of a

captain of infantry, by reason of disability incident to the service, his retirement, by the President,

from active service as a captain is announced, to date from April 13, 1911, the date upon which he

would have been promoted to that grade by reason of seniority if found qualified.

ond Lieutenant ROBERT MORRIS-

SON, Jr., 30th Infantry, having been examined for promotion by a board of officers and sound physi-cally disqualified for the duties of

a first lieutenant of infantry, by reason of disability incident to the

service, his retirement, by the President, from active service as

ARMY AND NAVY ORDERS

Each individual citizen, then, kills Beat-tie by proxy. If he is killed by the state each citizen of the state must bear the brand of a murderer through the rest of his life. Such is a relic of those times when the whole community attended to witness the hanging or be-heading, including the dignitaries of the church, who sometimes assisted in the persecution. But the morals of ev-ery sound thinker in these latter days should be shocked at any such thing as

capital punishment.
How simple is the remedy. Imprison
Beattle for a term of years, or for life.
Let him earn by work sufficient money Let him earn by work sufficient money to pay his expenses in prison. If he should earn more than enough, pay such a remainder to the girl whom he wronged, so that she can live a respect-able life, to encourage her in any ef-fort in that direction which she might be making. As the case now is, she will have a hard road to travel, for wherever she goes somebody is sure to rec-ognize her and tell of her former life. Such ought not be the case, but unfor-So let that idea of blood for blood be relegated to the savage age from whence it originated, and let us hope that the truth of these remarks will

shortly realized.
WILLIAM H. DECK. PAYS A TRIBUTE

TO OLD GLORY To the Editor of THE TIMES:

our Mail Bag. With regard to the aged veteran's love for "Old Glory" I will say that nearly every building (residence) in De-troit, Mich., whence I come, has a flag-pole, and were it not displayed there to the rippling breeze the very pavement and trees would cry aloud in reproof. George C. Tanner simply publishes to your readers that he is not patriotic to the soil whereon he walks and to the

air he breathes. love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills, Thy name I love."

Being born in Alabama, I was not as true to the flag as I have been since I spent seven months in the Canadian Rockies, in British Columbia,

'Cheers for the flag with its old stars , spangled, Shake out its folds to the wind's caress
Over the hearts by the war hounds mangled,
Down in the tangled Wilderness."

How its swish does remind one of the soft frou-frou of the dress of a fel-low's best girl when he is in the parlor waiting for her to come downstairs.

"And many an eye has danced to see that banner in the sky; Beneath it rang the battle shout and burst the cannon's roar,' which resulted in giving us the coun we now have. CRAMPTON DU BOIS.

#### NATIONS MAY BECOME MOLLYCODDLES

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

A resident of California now in town repeats the well-known words: "To give the Filipinos their independence would result in interminable conflic would result in interminable conflict among the people of the islands."

Well, what of it? Haven't we been taught that fighting is a glorious thing? We have it on the high authority of the chief opponent of Philippine indethe colonel himself-that war qualities of man. He tells us that without war men bene mollycoddles. But let me tell him and his like that nations, too become mollycoddles and mendicants when they acknowledge that they are beggars for vivilization and that every hut and res-

dence within their boundaries is a house of correction.

To be sure, the Filipinos might begin deciaration of independence and guar-antees of the rights of slave-holders in a constitution. Trey might wage civil war for five years. They might assas-sinuate three presidents and send cor-ruptionists to their senate. They might deliver the chief cities of their land into the hands of gangs and political healers, but even then according to into the hands of gangs and plane to healers, but even then, according to the standards of their tyrants, they would not, necessarily be unworthy of independence.

# SOCIALISM DESTROYS

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

A few weeks ago a gentleman wrote an article in your paper condemning Sochillem. Immediately a lot of letters came pouring in with the ideas of a few cranks on Socialism. Most of them know as much about this subject as a lentists know about radium. To read their letters one would imagine Socialism was a sort of 'philosophers' stone,' which would turn the baser metals, the evils in this country to pure gold, making everything perfect. I do not pretend to understand this subject thoroughly, but I do know that it is a great evil. The best way to filence these fanatics, I suppose, would be to ignore them utterly, but I cannot bear to see statements and facts utterly distorted and exaggerated. One says that Socialism does not destroy the marriage bond. came pouring in with the ideas of a few does not destroy the marriage bond. Now it is a well-known fact that two great European Socialists were married by mutual consent. Now my dear Sohave just sentenced H. C. Beattle, jr.
Let us briefly review the circumstances.
Beattle is sentenced to die for the
murder of his wife. The state is going
to kill him. The state is a collection
of individuals, each of whom does his
part in the killing of Beattle by paying
in taxes the salaries of those officers
of the court to execute the sentence. cialists. I dare you to deny this. Maybe

a first Heutenant, is announced, to date from March 11, 1911, the date upon which he would have been promoted to that grade by reason of seniority, if found qualified.

NAVY.

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Lieutenant C. A. RICHARDS, to Naval Academy, Md.
Passed Assistant Surgeon F. E. PORTER, to Navy Yard and additional duty Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, N. H.—
Assistant Surgeon G. B. CROW, to Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
Chief Machinist F. G. SPRENGLE, to Navy Yard, New York, N. Y.
Chief Carpenter C. P. HAND, detached Navy Yard, Mare Island, Cal., to Maryland.

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Arrived—Chester at Boston, New Orleans, Saratoga, and Helena at Siakwan; Sterling at Key West, Utah at navy yard, New York; Salem at Tompkinsville, Brutus at Portsmouth, N. H.; Albany at Makung, Dixie, Reid, Preston, and Terry at Newport; Flusser at Gardiners Bay, and Connecticut, North Dakota, Vermont, Solace, Celtic, and Culgoa at Hampton Roads.

Salled—Trippe from Newport for final trials.

# BAILEY MOVE SEEN-AS HELP TO WILSON **BOOM IN THE SOUTH**

Texas Senator's Withdrawal Takes Strong Support From Harmon.

By JUDSON C. WELLIVER.

With the withdrwal of Joseph W. Bailey from the Senatorial race in Texas, stock in the Woodrow Wilson Presidential boom has gone up at a rate that has startled even the most enthusiastic supporters of the Jersey

Mr. Bailey was regarded as the man who would provide the biggest single increment of brains and management at the back of the Harmon movement in the South. But his colleague and dearest enemy, Senator Culberson, turned a trick on Balley just after the session of Congress ended that left the Gainesville orator in most difficult pos-ition, and not impossibly aided in de-ciding Bailey not to be a candidate again for the Senate. Senator Culberson went home and is-

Senator Culberson went home and is-sued a statement favoring a Presi-dential primary, in which all Democrats should have opportunity to declare directly their choice for President, and instruct their delegates. This was exactly the thing the Wilson people favored, and the Harmon people did not want,

Liked Idea.

Apparently, the Texas Democrats liked for expressions have been given by the dominating elements in the Demo cratic State committee favoring the Culberson plan. A meeting of the State committee is shortly to be held, at which the details will be arranged, and

the primary ordered.

Not Texas alone, but several other States in the South, are already feeling the effect of this move. The Presidential primary idea is very popular save with the organization politicians, and most of these dislike to oppose it lest they of-fend their constituents. Oklahoma is going to try out the same plan. Senator Owen, who is naking a hard cam-paign for Senatorial re-election against former Gov. Charles N. Haskell, has come out squarely against Harmon. Haskell was running strong until he allowed the story to get abroad that he liked Harmon better than anybody else in the field. This brought matter up with a round turn. The Owen forces are for the Presidential primary, and Haskell force has been melting away because of the suspicion that Has-kell-a former Obloan, incidentally-represents the Harmon plan for cap-

turing the State.

Arkansas and Tennessee have caught
the same fever. The masses of Democrats in both States are represented to be against Harmon. Arkansas contains many Missourians, and neighbortains many Missourians, and neighbor-hood sentiment inclines it toward. Champ Clark. Much the same is true of Oklahoma, but neither Arkansas nor Oklahoma looks with any favor at all on Harmon. The Wilson people insist that all they ask is a fair expression of the popular voice, through the Presi-dential primary.

Favored In Georgia.

In Georgia there has been serious proposal to have Hoke Smith put a Presidential primary law through his Legislature, which is now in session. Whether this shall prove feasible, it is promised that the Smith forces will favor some sort of primary expression that will give the masss of voters a chance to express their opinion as a guide to the Georgia delegates in the national convention.

From Oregon comes the report, also, From Oregon comes the report, also, that the Wilson movement is lately gaining ground there. Oregon has been the habitation of a stronger sentiment for Joseph W. Folk than could be discovered in any other State, not even excepting Missouri. Folk long ago and vigorously committed himself to the radical Oregon reform measures initiative, referendum, and recall.

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He has been a good deal in the State. is widely acquainted, his reform work in Missouri was widely advertised there, and he has been giving the Wilson people real worry.

Recently, however, the Oregon people

have been brought to understand that Folk is hopelessly out of it; that he cannot get his home State away from Clark, and that it would be merely a bit of humor for Oregon to at-tself to the tail of his kite. Contach itself to the tail of his kite. Con-vinced of this, the Oregon Democracy. THE MARRIAGE TIE is reported to be lined up behind Wil

### "Western Dames N. G.," Eastern Wives Wanted

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 12.-John R. Deal and John Harmond, of Chevenne, Wyo., have written to a Pittsburg newspaper, asking to be put in communication with girls who will make "loving and true wives and are good cooks."

The Westerners say:
"We are disgusted with these West-"We are disgusted with these Western dames. We hope this letter will reach women who are not spoiled by Wyoming powder and paint. It is little wonder that our Western divorce courts are crowded when so many marriages are, after all, only poor business contracts. A woman looking over her list of acquaintances finds a man who is good looking and has lots of cash. He is the one she grabs."

## Concerts Today

By the Fifteenth Cavalry Band, at Fort Myer, Va., at 7:30 p. m.

G. F. TYRRELL, Director.

(By request) Donizetti
Waltz, "Wiener Blut" Strauss
Excerpts from "The Girl in the
Train" (By request) Leo Fall
March, "Tannhauser" Wagner By the U. S. Engineer Band, at Dupont Circle, at 7:30 p. m.

JULIUS KAMPER, Leader.

PROGRAM. March, "Georgetown University," Overture, "Pique Dame".....Suppe Intermezzo, "La Danseuse" von Blon Selection, "Faust"......Gounod Filipino Waltz, "Pepa y Chat-Excerpts from the "Honeymoon
Trial"

Serenade, "Harlequins Millions. Grand Fantasie, "Tone Pictures from the North and South," Bendix

"The Star-Spangled Banner.